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We would have if each citizen would leave every dollar in the bank that they did not actually need for transacting their ordinary business affairs. This would bring thousands of dollars into the bank which would be loaned out to those who need help in farming and other business.

We want to encourage checking accounts and also savings accounts. SYSTEMATIC SAVING will build a prosperous community under most any conditions.

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Farm Loans

We have money to loan on real estate at a low rate of interest with privilege to pay at any time.

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We have a complete lot of Abstract Books and will furnish abstracts to any real estate in Bates county and examine and perfect title to same.

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We will loan your idle money for you, securing you reasonable interest on good security. We pay interest on time deposits.

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A BANK

That promises Trustworthy Service and fulfills the promise. That is efficient in lending assistance when needed. A bank that has the personal, human touch, strong resources and conservative management invites the accounts of farmers, merchants, and of women and children seeking safety for their savings.

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PEOPLES BANK,

The Bank Where You Can Always Bank

HUNGER KILLING 50 A DAY IN MEXICO CITY

Hundreds Fleeing From Capital in Fear of Starvation and Attack by Garza's Forces.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 5.—Hundreds of refugees from Mexico City are flocking to Vera Cruz to escape starvation and what they declare will be a new crisis, according to advices from the Carranza capital.

The last party of refugees to reach Vera Cruz, August 17, when the report was dated, said Roque Gonzales Garza, one-time Conventionist President, with 2,500 men, and Juan Banderas and Lagos Chazarro, each with strong forces, were reported marching on the city and were near enough to make an attack on Pablo Gonzales.

Speaking of famine conditions in Mexico City the report said that about 50 persons were dying of starvation there daily.

The Red Cross representative there is giving out rations to about 140,000 persons a day, it is said.

The International Relief Committee is doing everything in its power to assist him, but the Carranzista authorities are making no adequate effort to relieve the situation with regard to food supplies and the available quantity of corn and beans is so limited that it is impossible for the Red Cross Society to supply the necessities of life in sufficient quantities to prevent many deaths from starvation.

The Red Cross has food supplies at Toluca that would feed the starving of Mexico City for several days, but Gonzales has refused permission for the sending of these foodstuffs into the capital.

There are about 2,700 Americans in Mexico City who have organized a Defense Committee, with about 1,000 rifles and about 50,000 rounds of ammunition.

The organization is complete in every detail, and is prepared to defend itself to the utmost in the event of a rising among the natives or an attack on the homes of foreigners.

All foreigners there have agreed to stand together in the event of trouble and refuse to give up their arms to the authorities.

\$37,887,526 More Taxed in Missouri.

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 5.—There is a total increase in the taxable wealth of Missouri for this year over last of \$37,887,526.31. This increase is divided as follows:

Real estate and personal property, \$34,765,458, and public service corporations, 3,122,068.31.

The total valuation of real and personal property for taxable purposes this year is \$1,658,587,414, and the total of the corporate property is \$198,883,909.47. The total taxable valuation of the property in the State for this year is \$1,857,471,323.47.

This is the highest figure that the assessment of the State has reached and the big total is in the face of the fact that in many parts of the State farm lands that command a cash value of \$100 to \$150 per acre are valued for taxable purposes at from \$10 to \$20 per acre.

American Oil Men Lose \$2,000,000

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 5.—A message dated August 31, received today from Gordon Wilard, an American oil operator at Tampico, Mexico, said all oil wells in that section, except the Aguila, have been closed.

The operators of the Huasteca oil fields, American owned, closed with the announcement they had lost \$2,000,000 since the Carranza-Villa revolution began, and that they have exhausted every resource to continue operations. Thousands of men are out of employment.

Dry by 90.

The local option election held in Rich Hill last Wednesday passed off very quietly notwithstanding the intense feeling between the "wet" and "dry" forces. The wet vote was 280 and the dry 370.

At the expiration of the following licenses the sixth congressional district will be wholly dry.

A. T. Christman, November 1, 1915; F. M. Storch, December 5, 1915; John M. Hook, January 1, 1916; Henry Christman, January 30, 1916; J. J. Richardson, February 11, 1916; William Altschack, March 1, 1916.

4,000 U. S. TROOPS MARCHED ON BORDER

Washington Fears Reprisals Against Mexicans May Result From Raids.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 6.—Grave concern was evidenced here today in the War and Navy departments over the situation on the Mexican border. Secretaries Garrison and Daniels remained at their desks most of the day, although all other governmental departments enjoyed a holiday.

Officials do not attempt to conceal the fear that the depredations of Mexican bandits may result in a clash between the forces of Gen. Carranza and the American troops under Maj. Gen. Funston in the vicinity of Brownsville and Laredo.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 6.—The disposition of troops in the Brownsville section continued today. By mid-week there will be 4,000 men, cavalry, infantry and artillery, signal and aero corps, in this district, a command large enough, it is hoped to exert sufficient moral force to make the use of physical force unnecessary in maintaining quiet in the border counties with their 70 per cent Mexican population.

The troops are patrolling a territory nearly the size of Maine, which contains one city, Brownsville. It is a country without roads, except near the small towns. Great spaces are covered with brush traversed by trails that only experienced guides can follow. Nearly everything in this brush bears thorns, some of which pierce leather. Most of the guides who know these trails are Mexicans, and with few exceptions, neither army officers nor State and county officials know whether these Mexicans are loyal American citizens or friends of the bandits and revolutionists.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 6.—The new seventy-ninth District Court held its first sitting today at Rio Grande City, about 100 miles up the river from here.

Some of the attorneys who attended court from the old counties said they were carrying a law book in one hand and a pistol in the other.

Womans Missionary Union Meets at Amsterdam.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Butler Baptist Association met in annual session at Amsterdam Wednesday, August 25th, 1915.

Reports from societies showed Adrian and Butler making nine points out of ten each from the standard of excellence. Rich Hill made six points.

A new society reported at Merwin. Hume reported their great loss by the death of their president, Mrs. Ligget. Passaic women had given a missionary social and contributed to the various missions.

Officers for the Association W. M. U. were elected for ensuing year.

President, Mrs. Carrie Huddelson, Adrian; vice president, Mrs. J. B. Walton, Butler; secretary, Mrs. Katie Haggard, Adrian; treasurer, Mrs. Bertha Klumpp, Rich Hill.

Every woman and girl in every church of our Association at work for missions is our aim.

Unbinged by German Flight

Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 5.—Worry over Germany's position in the war is believed by police and physicians to have temporarily unbalanced Charles L. Pickern, 49 years old, a resident of Kansas City, who was taken into custody while acting strangely on the street.

Pickern gave the officers several names stating he was a personal friend of the sheriff, also that he was a secret service officer here on private business.

It as suspected Pickern was addicted to the use of drugs, and when asked where he had obtained the "dope" he said he had been given morphine by Constable W. W. Bolton. This was proven untrue.

County Teachers Convention

Thursday and Friday of last week the Bates county teachers convention was held in the Circuit Court room in the Court house. Some fine addresses were made by well known educators and the teachers spent a very profitable two days. About 250 teachers attended.

SHORT STORIES

Of Local Interest—Clipped from Our Exchanges.

Work was commenced on the new telephone exchange building Monday morning. It will be a two-story structure with the exchange and work room upstairs and the living rooms for the manager and family on the lower floor.—Amoret Leader.

Mrs. Eliza Barnes suffered a slight attack of paralysis last week and another one Tuesday, but it is not possible to know just how the illness will terminate.—Amoret Leader.

J. O. McMullen loaded his car of household goods, Monday, to ship them to Kansas City, where he recently purchased an apartment house, and where they expect to make their home. Mr. McMullen went up to the city, Tuesday, to join his wife, who is visiting their son there.—Amoret Leader.

Roy Faylor and Miss Rowena May Means of Rich Hill were united in marriage at Nevada Monday evening, Rev. Odom officiating. They will reside in Rich Hill.—Metz Times.

The machinery for the Montrose Electric light plant arrived one day last week and contractor Matthews was at once on the job doing the finishing work and installing the machines.—Montrose Recorder.

Judge W. W. Graves of the Supreme Court left here today to attend a meeting and banquet at Harrisonville of the men and women of Missouri who are live wires in raising poultry and officers in local poultry associations. He is president of the Cole county poultry association and has had many years of experience in raising poultry of all kinds.—Jefferson City Democrat-Tribune, Sept. 1.

Mrs. B. F. Moore of Kansas City visited Sunday with her son, Wallace, who is temporary manager of the Logan-Moore Lumber Co.'s yard at this place while C. H. Field lays off while it rains.—Rockville Booster.

Married—At Miles City, Mont. August 18th, Mr. Raymond McKiff and Miss Minnie Douglass. They left at once for Butte, Mont., where they expect to make their home.—Rockville Booster.

R. E. Piper, for several years in the produce business in this city and in the same business for the past three years in Whittier, Cal., met with a fatal accident on the 11th inst. He was in his auto truck with his son, Clay, when their lap robe caught fire. He grabbed it and jumped from the machine, striking his head on the pavement and fracturing his skull. He was taken to a hospital where an operation was performed but without avail. He died the next afternoon without having regained consciousness.—Rockville Booster.

W. W. Gooch and wife who live in Bates county, and Charley Gooch, son of George Gooch, returned Friday from Chetopa, Kan., where they went to attend the funeral of their uncle, Michael Hillegas.—Ulrich Herald.

Rev. A. L. Anderson and wife of Dover came in Wednesday morning for a visit at the parental R. N. Word home.—Amoret Leader.

Young Farmer Mentally Unbalanced.

Thursday afternoon a phone message was received in Rich Hill that John F. King, a young farmer living about three miles northwest of that city, had become mentally deranged. Joe Baker, Constable Thomas and Marshal Bankson went to the King home to place him under arrest.

King on learning that the officers were after him armed himself with a razor and defied the officers to take him without a warrant. His mother pleaded with the officers not to use force and they returned to Rich Hill and Friday morning accompanied by Justice of the Peace Stangel with a warrant they again went to the King farm after him. He was found in the field at work where the warrant was read to him and he was induced to accompany the officers. He was brought to Butler by Joe Baker, Gus Seelinger, Constable Thomas and Buford Baker and placed in jail to await the action of the County Court.

DON'T GIVE UP.

Discouraged Citizens Will Find Comfort in the Experience of a Butler Man.

Experience is the modern instructor. Profit by the experience of others.

It may save your life. The experience of your friends and neighbors.

The testimony of Butler people Will bring renewed encouragement.

Here is a case in point:

J. D. Stewart, 404 Vine St., Butler, says: "Too frequent passages from my kidneys bothered me greatly, especially at night. I also had pains in my back and hips and was subject to dizzy spells. I lost strength, felt languid and weak and suffered from soreness across my loins. After trying remedies and doctor's prescriptions without being helped, I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and got a supply at Clay's Drug Store. They cured me."

Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Stewart had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. 46-24

U. S. To Prevent Builders Sending Submarines Abroad

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—Navy Department officials will look into published reports that 10 American built submarines have crossed the Atlantic under their own power and are now with the allied fleets.

Secretary Daniels has been assured that the foreign submarines being built at Quincy will not be delivered during the war.

He expressed the belief today that it would even be a violation of neutrality for the constructor to knock them down and reassemble the parts in another country.

Quincy, Mass., Sept. 4.—Officers of the United States Navy will be detailed on board the ten submarines recently constructed at the yards of the Fore River Ship Building Corporation for the British Government, after the boats leave the ship yard.

Mob Attempts to Lynch Negro.

Bowling Green, Mo., Sept. 1.—A mob of several hundred farmers, having been outdistanced by a sheriff's party in an automobile race from Elsberry to Bowling Green, surrounded the Pike county jail here tonight and threatened to lynch Harrison Rose, a negro accused of murder.

A speech by Prosecuting Attorney McGinnis, urging the mob to allow the law to take its course, calmed the men for awhile and they dispersed. Later the mob formed again and late tonight threatened to break into the jail.

Rose, it is charged, killed Dudley Davidson, a member of a threshing party, yesterday when Davidson asked the negro to "pitch a little slower." Rose escaped and was caught in a thick net near Elsberry by a sheriff's posse late today.

As soon as the farmer's posse heard of the negro's capture the race began. Forty machines filled with farmers sped after the sheriff's automobile, in which the negro was prisoner, but the sheriff had gotten a start of several miles and so reached the jail here a few minutes before the mob.

According to eyewitnesses, Rose stabbed Davidson to death with a pitchfork.

Russia Will Never Quit.

Petrograd, Sept. 6.—"Russia is determined to fight five, even ten years, if necessary," declared M. Rodzianko, president of Duma, in an interview today. "If it should happen that we are forced to give up Petrograd and Moscow we will retire to the defenses of the Ural Mountains and continue the war."

"Russia has 12 million soldiers who will fight to the last drop of blood. They will not think of peace while a single enemy soldier remains on Russian soil."

Three U. S. Submarines Damaged in Collision.

Honolulu, T. H., Sept. 6.—The three submarines of the "F" group remaining since the loss of the ill-fated F-4 were put out of commission yesterday when the United States steamer Supply crashed into the flotilla while docking here. The vessels damaged were the F-1, F-2 and F-3.